

Weather Big Help To Growers During Past Week Period

Shipments Show Increase Of 40 Cars Over Last Week

Favorable growing conditions the past week have been helpful.

to the sowing crops and the harvesting of vegetables that were ready for market. The lack of beans of the past several weeks was somewhat broken, as quite a quantity of prime beans went forward by truck and brought from \$2.00 to \$5.25 the hamper. More beans will come next week.

Some years ago Boston head lettuce was experimentally grown at the Brown farms, but since the Iceberg type came into existence and swept the market, little of the Boston has been raised for

The first crop of iceberg lettuce which had a hard time with prevailing elements, is about harvested and the new crop is now getting started.

Wednesday, fine high grade lettuce was being brought to Lord and for the first time this season the American Fruit Growers Association, labeled it with its Blue Giant Label. This label means

These boxes of lettuce, which weigh about 125 pounds, certainly look fine and the eating suitable for a gourmet. Lettuce is bringing from \$2.50 the box. All boxes are thoroughly cooled with crushed ice. Trucks took most of the lettuce output the past week.

Celery continues in good demand, and a better grade of the large sized celery is being processed. Celery prices hover from \$2.25 to \$3.25 according to size and quality.

Peppers have been fairly plentiful, but not very good quality, and were selling from the "gimmie" quotation to \$3.50 price.

Cabbage demand remains firm at a bit of advancement, selling from \$35 to \$40 the ton. Considerable shipment went out by truck and car load the past week.

Shipment by rail totaled 14 cars the past week, and increased to 40 cars over the previous week.

They again lead with 73 car
cabbage, 54; radishes, 2; chicor
1; mixed, 3; escerolle, 3; beans,

The past month the Cubs have been busy designing air plans and their handcraft was on display at the meeting and brought considerable praise. As K. flying time is approaching the Cubs this month will be active.

The weekly dues, of the C. has been fixed at 5c a week, and same will be used to secure necessary supplies for the pack.

Experiment Farm

Dr. William Newell, of the State Agricultural school at Gainesville, headed a party composed of members of the State Board of Control on an inspection visit to

everglades. Station officials assisted them in viewing the fa-
and the projects under operat
there and the taking of data
sired. The party was compo
of R. H. Gray, of St. Louis

W. M. Palmery, of Ocala; N. Jordon, Quincy; T. N. Scott, Live Oak; and President John Tigert, of the University of Florida.

CONDEMNED
Workmen are now busy razing some of the old yellow quart buildings on the north side of Florida East Coast tracks north of the Vann Packing house on Pahokee road. The State Health Board some months ago condemned the buildings as places of residence.

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If frosts cease—can spring be far behind?

Read 26 will be officially opened on Friday, April 11 with fitting ceremony at 21 Mile Bend in Broward. Be there!

Many Glades farmers have shown some interest in the cattle feeding experiment at Clewiston. Results of the experiment will in all probability, be made public within a few weeks.

Farmers have taken it on the chin again this year in these parts. However, all are looking forward to a good spring crop. Of course, if that fails, they'll look forward to a good crop next fall. And so on and so on.

Don Hillier, contractor, has started work on the Lake Region improvement program. Nearly \$200,000 will be spent in order that the boys and girls—the men and women of tomorrow—may have the very best facilities for use in gaining an education.

On March 28, a group of Pahokee and Belle Glade folks will present a home talent play for the benefit of the band. The money derived will be used to help send the band to the state contest in St. Petersburg. Be sure and buy a ticket for the play. It's a worthwhile cause.

A group of farmers, who wish to become independent cane growers, are making an effort to form a cooperative, to carry out their plans. An interesting meeting was held in Belle Glade last Friday night and the land to the state contest in St. Petersburg. Be sure and buy a ticket for the play. It's a worthwhile cause.

SAUSE FOR THE GOOSE

Mary Twain once asked a neighbor if he might read a set of his books. The neighbor replied ungraciously that he was well known to read them in his library, but he had a rule never to let a book leave the house. Some weeks later the same neighbor sent over to her for the loan of his lawn mower. "I shall be very glad to loan you my lawn mower," said Mark Twain, "but since I made it a rule never to let it leave my house, you will be obliged to use it there!"—Christian Science Monitor.

ANNUAL FAIR

Members of the Pahokee Post of the American Legion are completing plans for the annual Everglades Fair—to be staged this year in Pahokee at the American Legion grounds. The Legion boys are doing everything in their power to make it an outstanding event. They will appreciate your cooperation in bringing to the attention of the thousands of visitors the many outstanding products that are grown here on the shores of Lake Okechobee.

The fair is scheduled to end under way on Saturday, April 12, and the following Saturday. Special days have been set aside by the management and there will be something worthwhile going on all the time.

Friday, April 11, has been set aside as

Read 26 opening and Civic club day. Officials are planning for the highway opening ceremony to be held at Twenty Mile Bend in Broward county around 10:30 a. m. in the morning. Immediately after the ribbon cutting and fitting ceremony the crowd will be taken to Pahokee for the civic day luncheon.

The day should bring thousands of visitors to the Lake Region. Join the Legion boys in making it a real letter day.

NICER THAN NICE

Believers of Florida who have been grumbling about the "unusual" weather this winter were put to shame by the famous Belgian visitor, Maurice Maeterlinck, during his recent tour of the state.

M. Maeterlinck, who spent most of his time on the French Riviera until the war drove him away, found Florida very much to his liking and did not hesitate to say so. His contribution to the Rollins college Animated Magazine a week ago Sunday was partly taken up with a tribute to Florida.

"It is just like Neo," he said. "With one-third more sun or better, one finds here the best of what one finds on the French Riviera in May."

In a newspaper interview here last week, the famed Belgian again took occasion to praise not only the Florida climate but also to note the cultural strides that are being made in this state and all over America.

M. Maeterlinck has attained too high a place in the world of letters to admit any of his sincerity. Nobody would accuse him of seeking to ingratiate himself through false praise.

Florida cannot help but value the approval of such a distinguished world figure. Its appreciation is mingled with the hope that M. Maeterlinck and his charming wife will so well pleased with their visit that they will come again for a longer stay—Palm Beach Post.

GRITS GO NORTH

It's a funny thing how this most common item on a Florida bill of fare, just plain old grits, appeals to the hungry devotees of the North when first introduced to it—or them, as the case may be.

I have never been able to understand why grits are not as common as corn in the northern states as they are down here, or even more so, because the corn is grown and ground in the North. Apparently it did not occur to the people who make the stuff that it might be good for a northern breakfast. They had to come down here to develop an appetite.

The other day Tom Crook at Memphis, Mo., with Mrs. Crook, has been spending several weeks in Avada this winter. He received a letter from home asking him to bring home a package of grits, which he came, as a neighbor who had been down here intended to bring a package home but had forgotten it until they got too far north to find it in the stores. Mr. Crook, who left the first of the week, did before that asked, for he took three packages. Apparently he had developed a taste for it himself.

A grocer friend from Kansas told me not long ago that he had recently been to a stock grits in New York. Apparently people returning from trips to Florida were taking back appetites for grits and were inquiring for them, hence the decision to carry them. All of which still seems funny, for a product which has its origin in the South. Numerous people who return from Florida and inquire for grits at their grocers' stores with only a blank look. Most of the grocers do not know what they are talking about. Kate Reeve in Avada-Avada.

LEAVES FOR NAVY

William Allen, Jr. of South Bay, left on Monday for the Scottish Navy base where he will attend school for seven weeks before being assigned to naval duty.

FROST DAMAGE

Once more county farmers are experiencing considerable frost damage to past few weeks' corn and grain, trees being nipped.

GOES TO FINEST HOUR

Dorothy Hancock, of Pahokee, who has been employed in a local beauty salon, has gone to Frost-protest where she will carry on her professional work.

SPECIAL PROGRAM

The Belle Glade Woman's club, on next Tuesday, will hold a home session with Mrs. Stollenberg as the hostess. The occasion, this time a musical program will be presented by members of Mrs. Charles Scott's music pupils from Pahokee and Belle Glade.

HAS BIRTHDAY

Mrs. S. A. Bartfield, one of Pahokee's honored and pioneer citizens, on Tuesday quietly celebrated her 73rd birthday.

GAINS WEIGHT

Arney life at Camp Blanton, seems to agree with Joe Davis, a former truck driver for the Kautz dairy, as he writes back that on dry grain despite the heavy transshipment, he has gained 28 pounds in two months.

LARGE TUNA CAUGHT

F. R. Wetherburn, of St. Paul, fishing off the Stuart inlet, this week caught a big tuna fish which weighed 152 1/2 pounds, a record for that fishing grounds. It was 4 ft. 6 1/2 inches long in weight then the second tuna caught off Miami several years ago.

MR. WELLS SEES FARMS

Mr. J. L. Wells, a prominent business man from Wilmington, N. C., was a guest of Sam Chastain on Wednesday, and was given a drive over the upper Glades farming area.

FOR DENTAL CLINIC

People Crocker Glades commission, has had the Board of Commissioners to draw a check for the Dental Clinic for \$500.00, which comes from the latter's second time allowance.

GAS SALES

Dade county in the month of February had the state in the amount of gasoline sold and consumed by motorists, with 7,802,885 gallons to its credit. Palm Beach county was fourth with 2,147,200 gallons.

TO TOUR STATES

M. E. Earl, who conducted a shooting gallery in Pahokee for several years and the last season in Belle Glade will soon leave. He has summered in company with a big carnival company which will operate in the Rhode Island (Connecticut) and Massachusetts states. Mr. Earl has fitted up a fine mobile shooting range which he will use during the summer.

BIRTHS

Anticipation is rising from the Good Samaritan hospital at West Palm Beach of the birth of a son, John Francis to Mr. and Mrs. Louis King Edgall of West City and a daughter, Viola Jean, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Gibson of Pahokee.

LEAVES FOR ARMY

Chesler Wright, city engineer of Lake Worth, and secretary of the Scottish Rite Consistory is leaving soon for military service, not being a high ranking officer in the ROTC.

REV. AND MRS. B. A. ROTH VISIT MR. AND MRS. KADWIN

Rev. and Mrs. B. A. Roth of Hastings, Pa. were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Rardin at Canal Point on Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday of this week. Rev. Roth was pastor of the Baptist church in Glenview, Ill. during the time the Rardins lived there. From Canal Point the Rards went to Miami where they will spend several days vacation before returning to Hastings.

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TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

By Russell Kay

With the next session of the Legislature less than a month away, a lot of folks are beginning to worry about what is going to happen. Just about every organization in the state has appointed its Legislative Committee and a great many have held pre-legislative sessions at which programs have been worked out for presentation to the law makers.

With little heed to the welfare of the state as a whole, these groups are more concerned with those legislative problems which directly affect their own individual interests. They are generally prepared to go to almost any length to protect themselves without regard to what may happen to the other fellow.

With the state insolvent as far as the general revenue fund is concerned, with all valuations abandoned and legislators plying to repeal other taxes, with school funds low and road funds depleted, it is apparent that there must be a general revision in tax structure. While all groups and all interests recognize this need, they don't want to accept the burden and

they don't care what happens to the other fellow just so long as nothing happens to themselves.

The federal government, pouring millions into the state with its defense program, is demanding the immediate construction of roads to connect these military activities. At the same time six to seven counties are demanding roads which they say are "unproductive." Schools do not intend to be pushed aside and expect to make themselves heard during the session. The "big and little county" situation remains a problem. Sales tax proponents see a golden opportunity in the present situation and are hopeful that such a tax can be put over at the coming session. Bond holders want their money and are prepared to fight for it. Advocates of old age assistance are searching their files for pledges of legislators who during the campaign, promised to "do something" for them and so it goes.

The lot of the legislator is not a happy one. Never has a legislator faced more trying or difficult problems and whatever progress they make must be made by tromping on somebody's toes.

I am confident that as a whole the 1941 legislature is made up of honest, able and sincere men who are eager and anxious to do a real job. They deserve all the help and encouragement they can get and the welfare of the state demands that they be given an opportunity to work out their pro-

blems with as little interference as possible.

Most members of the legislature sincerely appreciate helpful suggestions that are constructive and intelligent. They want to do the best they can for everyone and if left alone and given a chance, can be depended upon to do a good job.

can't do effective work. It is right and proper for all groups and all interests to be given a fair hearing. Legislators themselves want to hear all sides and weigh all the evidence before making a decision. They have no desire to hurt or handicap anyone and if left alone and given a chance, can be depended upon to do a good job.

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Future Farmers In Annual Banquet At Pahokee On Friday

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The 10th annual Palm and Son Banquet of Pahokee Chapter 100, Future Farmers of America, was held at the High school cafeteria last Friday night and was a tremendous success. There was a large attendance of 125 members of the Chapter and guests. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization.

There was no doubt about the welcome which was extended by Ralph Bishop, a freshman member of the chapter, and the chapter's executive committee. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization. The chapter is a desirable and profitable organization.

neal state convention, the high school made possible the banquet for which all food, refreshments and entertainment were provided.

Principal D. D. Couth spoke on the subject "Vocational Agriculture" and a Principal Speech. The County Board of Public Instruction, which was in session at the time, also made a presentation.

The main address of the evening was given by Capt. John I. Lewis, who is always a welcome speaker at any banquet, and on this occasion he gave an address which was listened to most attentively. He took as his topic "The All-American Varsity Team." This team is composed of "Farmer and Son."

He cleverly wove in a story of what had been accomplished and what could be achieved by such a team. The real cherry note that he injected during his address, was that of the chapter's future.

TO PUBLICIZE GLADES
Kate Souder, the main artist, recently visited South Florida and in her broadcast gave South Florida, whose excellent publicity, especially Pamphlet, the bean and tomato market center.

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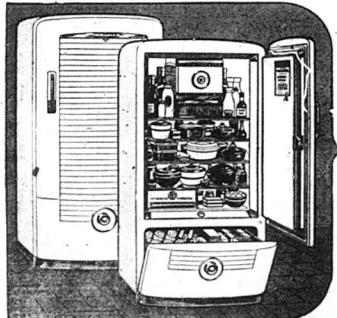
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GUNPOWDER EMERGENCY
In the public mind America's National Defense Problem No. 1 is production of airplanes. Actually, however, it isn't.

War department chiefs haven't been advertising it, but their greatest worry is gunpowder. You can't fight a war without powder. And up until recently the annual powder production of all U. S. factories was only 12,000,000 pounds, which would last us a few short weeks in war time.

In comparison, the United States produced 500,000,000 pounds of powder at the end of the last war, and had partially built factories which would have produced another 500,000,000 pounds a few months after the Armistice.

It happens that nitrate is the key to gunpowder production. Manufacture of powder is a simple and speedy process. But it is made from explosive nitrate, and nitrate production is far more difficult.

There are two kinds of nitrates, natural and synthetic. Major source of the natural is Chile. But it has two big drawbacks: (1) the desperate shipping shortage; (2) the product's inferiority to synthetic nitrate for powder purposes, although good enough for fertilizer. Use of synthetic nitrate for explosives is far more efficient, less expensive and militarily more desirable.

In the United States there are only two big producers of synthetic explosive nitrate—Allied Chemical and Dye Corporation, at its giant Hopewell, Va., plant; and duPont.

First which was objection to the government's plan of importing Chilean nitrate, thus permitting Allied Chemical's Hopewell plant to stop making fertilizer and devote its entire capacity to explosive nitrate, if necessary.

The chemical industry fell on this plan like a ton of brick. Backed by certain army officials, it hotly decried that the nation faced a nitrate shortage. Hopewell's full facilities, it was argued, would not be needed for powder purposes.

The defense commission then turned to developing new plant facilities. Here good fortune seemed to smile. TVA still had its World War nitrate plant at Muscle Shoals.

When the defense commission moved to use this government-owned plant, it again ran into powerful opposition from big business, particularly from the duPonts, tacitly encouraged by the army. However, weeks later, the defense commission finally had its way and the plan was approved. Defeated, the duPonts did the sporting thing and offered to sell TVA latest types of oxidizers, thus expediting renovation of the Muscle Shoals plant.

TVA and defense commission heads were delighted. But their pleasure—and duPont's willingness—was short-lived. When it came to installing the machinery, duPont demanded a guarantee that it would be used only to produce explosive nitrate and never fertilizer, which duPont is heavily interested.

This was rejected flatly by TVA, which pointed out that even if it wanted to, it couldn't accept such a restriction under the law. Furthermore, it didn't want to.

duPont remained adamant, refused to lend its machinery without the guarantee. So TVA had to go into the market, order new machinery for the government.

NO MORE HARDTACK
Hard tack, that celebrated butt of doughboy jokes, will be largely eliminated from army field rations if Donald M. Nelson, energetic coordinator of defense purchases, has his way.

Nelson has worked out a novel scheme to make U. S. army field rations the best in the world.

The defense purchasing chief and his aides have discovered a substitute—enriched, irradiated bread. Large quantities of this have been ordered for the army. Hermetically sealed in small tins, suitable for carrying in a knapsack, the bread will remain fresh indefinitely. In addition, every soldier in the field will carry a second tin of a meat and vegetable mixture containing all the essential vitamins. The two tins together will give him a balanced diet away from camp.

EAST INDIES OIL
The Dutch Shell Oil company has secretly planted with "sleepers" mines, which can be detonated at a moment's notice if the Japanese set foot on the island. In that case, millions of dollars worth of hold-ups will be blown up or fired.

CAMERA TOPICS

Guarding 'The Rock' From Sea and Air



A view from an accompanying British war plane high above Great Britain's Rock of Gibraltar, showing another plane on patrol duty, winging high over the harbor, wherein are several men of war. All are in the alert against attack by German planes from the air and German troops that might be given a "corridor" down to southern Spain by the Fascist government. The Rock, which is one of the most formidable fortresses in the world, is Great Britain's effective western door to the Mediterranean, through which British commerce and warships flow from day to day.

Delayed Inaugural



Forrest C. Donnell was inaugurated Missouri's fortieth governor after a six weeks' delay because of contested election. He is the first Republican governor to crack the Missouri capital's Democratic ranks since the Roosevelt landslide in 1932. This picture shows him at the inaugural in Jefferson City, Mo., with Col. Branch Rickey, owner of the St. Louis Cardinals. Left: Governor Forrest Donnell, and (right) Col. Rickey.

'Four of a Kind'



Mrs. Peter Lasley, 42-year-old farm wife and mother of Leitchfield, Ky., shown in the city hospital at Louisville with the quadruplets born to her at Leitchfield. The babes, which were rushed to Louisville, are: left to right, John, 5 1/2 pounds; Mildred, 4 pounds; Marlene, 4 pounds; and Beulah, 5 pounds.

Appointees



Left: Ralph Austin Hard of Chicago, who was appointed assistant secretary of the navy. Right: Robert A. Lovett of New York, appointed special assistant to secretary of war for air.

Spring Beckons as Daffodils Bloom



Spring comes marching in on March 21, and close upon its heels will follow the Puyallup Valley daffodil festival, at Tacoma, Wash., March 26-28. The event will include a spectacular parade in which about a half a million blooms will be used. The above scene depicts daffodils in Puyallup valley.

Final Ski Event



The National Four Event Combined championships and Harriman Cup race will climax the skiing season at Sun Valley, Idaho, March 20-22. Pictured here is Alf Engen, who will defend his championship title at this event.

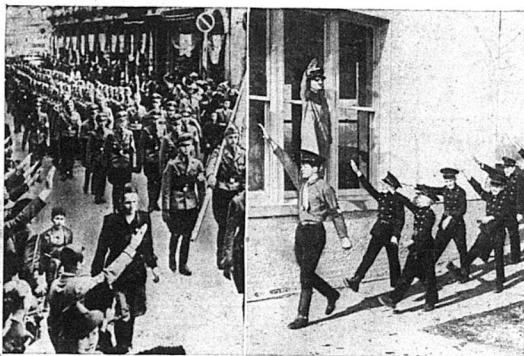
The World In Pictures

Watchful Waiting Off Dutch East Indies



The Dutch East Indies, eyed greedily by Japan, is the new danger-spot in the Far East. When Holland fell, Dutch warships went to protect these colonies. Upper picture shows the fleet and air fleet at Sourabaya, naval base in Java. Below, (left) two subs of the Netherlands navy on patrol, and, (right) the first group of American-built planes of the East Indies air force on guard.

Goose-Steppers—Over There—And Here!



Left: Citizens of Padova, Italy, welcome arrival of German troops. Right: Members of the school band of Sag Harbor, L. I., goose-step by a "dictator" on "dictatorship day," when totalitarian rule was established to illustrate the advantages of living in our free democracy instead of under the rule of a dictator.

Hunting the Giant Hares of Ontario



With big drives by a hundred hunters or more on Ontario's giant hares, which weigh up to 18 pounds, legislation is sought to limit driving parties to 15 persons. In top picture a hunter aims at an unfortunate rodent, while below a couple of hunters seek the elusive hare whose speed matches the best of man and dog.

Too Big for Army



George Fischer, of New Paltz, N. Y., who was rejected by the army because there was too much of him: George weighs 470 pounds and is 6 feet 4 inches tall.



Notes of an Innocent Bystander

The Wireless: Elmer Davis tipped off Tokyo the other round-up that a country can get hurt listening to Berlin. The last nation that played a sure thing in the war, he reminded, was Italy. War and Broadway find that the softest chump is somebody looking for something for nothing. . . . You can cheer the spirit of the Free Company, offering Sunday p. m. plays. Its aim is to slap down alien propaganda and push for our way of life. Nancy Kelly, Burgess Meredith and John Garfield donated perfect acting to the first. But that dood of film credits at the finish will make their show a trailer if they don't watch out. . . . Sen. Gillette (Ia.) is offering a bill making the sponsors of smear handouts tell their name and address. It was the same plan advocated by Morris Ernst, with no takers, on a recent Forum.

The Front Pages: Dot Thompson kept Senator Wheeler after school because he seems to know less about English gov't than a columnist. The Senator said Canada was a colony and that only the King can declare war—a remark that would funk him in any history course. . . . It is sickening to learn that some of our so-called leaders are afflicted with intellectual anemia. . . . Benito Mussolini, who learned the ways of the glory of Fascism, has now been relegated to boosting the strength of Nazism. In short, he's no longer an Axis partner—just an Axis press agent. Hitler's Gayda, Gayda warns the British to give up the futile fight in Africa. . . . The friends of the old gag should look on the floor, bloody and swollen from a terrible shelling. He looked up at his victorious opponent and murmured: "Have you got enough?"

The Story Teller: One man's idea of no reading at all is the just-published book on the Magnin Line. It's like handing a swimmer—going down for the third time—a copy of "The Life of Johnny Weissmuller." The Good describing of a man by Ellis St. Joseph, in Story mag: "His long fleshless frame was anonymous as a clothes tree on which hung a silk hat, frock coat, striped trousers. But the man's sharp angular face was memorable—a veritable blueprint of intelligence."

Typewriter Ribbons: Dorothy Parker: Love is like quicksilver in the hand. Leave the fingers open and it stays in the palm; clutch it and it darts away. Anon: It was the kind of a show at which opportunity might've knocked, if the critics hadn't. . . . M'ys Twain: There are two times when a man shouldn't gamble. When he can't afford it and when he can. Simeon Strunsky: A dining room table with children's eager, hungry faces around it, ceases to be a dining room table, and becomes an altar. . . . Anon: Now is the time for all good Republicans to come to the aid of America. . . . Isn't it strange that Lindbergh, whose history right helped make the Atlantic narrower, doesn't realize how narrow it is?

The Village News-Press

(Prop. and Editor Walt Winchell)
Ex-Gov. of Penn. Earle, who socked that Nazi over there, was a good pal of the late Dollars when Earle was stationed in Vienna. Earle prob'ly wanted to smack somebody for that murder, anyhow.

Our esteemed rival, Lee Wood, of Roy Howard's Bigge, got off a good one the other noon when he sent up those collect cables to Hitler, saying: "God save the King—and God help you!"

Seems that our isolationists are mighty ignorant of history when they claim Gen. Washington refused to have any foreign alliances. How about George's alliance with the French in 1793?

If ye ed were requested to suggest who should get the Pulitzer Prize for "public service," it would certainly go to S. Boehm of the New York Journal-American for his writings which convicted Kuntze and his Bundists. He got his evidence after, being shocked by them twice, too.

George Jean Nathan, the critic feller, gave a copy of his book to Kim Toge of Japan and inscribed it: "To Kim—One good reason why the United States should not go to war!" George sure likes the opposite sex.

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

By Edward C. Wayne

Bulgarians Are Rebuked by Russia For 'Allowing' Nazi Troops to Enter; Turkey Closes Strategic Dardanelles As Crisis Looms in Mediterranean

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of the writer and not necessarily those of the newspaper.

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ENGLAND:

At Crossroads

The sending of Anthony Eden into Turkey was no empty gesture on the part of England, but a vital move in the war as the nation approached what appeared to be its most dangerous parting of the ways.

The Nazi move in the Balkans, plus the infiltration into Italy, plus the move into Spain, plus the appearance of German troops in Africa, plus the removal of French citizens from the invasion coast, all pointed in different directions and tended to place English war directors on the horns of a dilemma.

It appeared that the British must decide (1) whether to extend and continue their successful drive in Africa, (2) whether to continue on defense of the channel and fighting the submarine menace; (3) whether to lighten the European load by sending troops to strengthen the defense of Greece and to the aid of Turkey.

Most British leaders did not believe that all of these varied objectives could be accomplished at the same time. They viewed with dread the possibility that one or another of these German spearheads might

they disapproved of the Bulgarian action because it "does not lead to consolidation of power."

Whether this meant Russia would take any action to prevent Nazi troops from penetrating too close to soviet borders was not immediately learned. London at first did not believe that Russia had any action in mind but looked upon the statement merely as "a mere verbal protest."

On March 12, the signing of the Axis-Bulgarian pact was to have far-reaching effect in the progress of war in the Balkans.

The signing had been prefaced by the infiltration of uncouth thousands of Nazi troops in civilian clothing, and two days before it all happened. Nazi generals, also in civilian dress, practically took over the leading hotel in Sofia as their headquarters.

Before the signatures were placed on the historic document Britain issued a warning that the world would have to witness the defense of Greece and to the aid of Turkey.

The next step was the cutting off of all telephone communication between Bulgaria and the outside world. In all this, the blotting out of another autonomous country was carried out in the true Nazi manner, the blueprint being followed in every detail with mathematical precision.

The following day the city of Sofia was in German hands, completely under German control, the Bulgarian ambassador had asked for and demanded his passports, and Bulgaria's radio was seized.

MARTIN DIES

Steps Out Again

The Dies committee, quiescent for several weeks, stepped back onto Page One when Representative Dies charged that American Peace Mobilization, Inc., which in Washington is largely made up of government employees active in opposition to the lease-lend bill, receives its chief support from Communist "front" organizations.

Public meetings against the lease-lend bill were being run by the "American Out of War Committee," but the sponsors of the meetings, when asked what other groups were involved, would only answer "and other peace and labor groups."

Dies said chief among these was the Mobilization body, and he cited that one of its vice presidents in New York, Robert G. Nixon, returning correspondent, described in detail the defense of the entire English coastal territory, north, south, east and west, giving a picture of a nation rather anxiously hoping for invasion than fearing it.

But Britain's Mediterranean and Middle East situation was causing tremendous concern, with the vulnerable points at each end of the island sea, Gibraltar and Suez, and with Greece to be added, Turkey to be strengthened, and African garrisons to be held and consolidated.

The crucial move in America's whole dilemma was the sending of Eden, the prime "face" to Turkey. The crucial move in England's dilemma lasted only 24 hours, and ended in a complete accord, it was reported. "First definite action," said Turkey from Turkey's concern over the situation became known when it was announced that the Dardanelles had been closed. Those strategic straits, which separate the Mediterranean from the Black sea, are of vital concern to the axis powers for they form the outlet of German occupied territory to the Mediterranean.

BALKANS:

Lose a Piece

But the loss of its autonomy to all practical purposes when Bogdan Filaret and von Ribbentrop signed a "Pact of Friendship and Cooperation" between the Soviet Union and the Bulgarians officially joined the Rome-Berlin Axis "for the duration."

This was widely viewed as an unwelcome surrender, but a move which could hardly be criticized by fair-minded persons, as it was a surrender to a pistol held firmly to the nation's heart.

Russia, however, felt otherwise. Shortly after the pact was signed and the Nazi troops had entered Bulgaria, that nation had sent a message from the Soviet foreign commissariat which in effect expressed displeasure with the Bulgaria's attitude. According to the Russians,

MARTIN DIES

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appropriations measures ever since the congress convened.

The Dies committee, during previous investigations, pronounced to be a Communist Front organization the American League for Peace and Democracy. Mr. Dies said that from what he had learned so far, the Mobilization chapter in Washington appeared to be the supreme enemy of the League for Peace, which was being defeated after getting the Ribbentrop from the Dies body.

Executive secretary of the Washington chapter of Mobilization, Inc., was Mrs. Sarah A. Montgomery, wife of the consumer's counsel for the AAA. Dies served a subpoena on Mrs. Montgomery to bring her records before a Dies committee.

Subpoenas were served for several weeks on the chapter. Dies said, without avail in getting the records before him. He continued to demand them, and would continue to do so, he said.

COTTON:

For Shelters

Members of congress from the southern states were jubilant when New York engineer, E. C. Wallace, declared that cotton was being made under reinforced concrete as proof of the country's industrial strength.

Wallace said that a seven-foot thickness of cotton would be needed to stop a 4,000-pound bomb falling from 30,000 feet.

He said the cotton could easily be made into a "bomb" that would have little effect.

A KING:

Takes a Trip

He is greeted by John G. Winant, new U. S. ambassador to the court of King George VI.

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Winant, Tex. governor of New Hampshire, had made the trip to London by plane, and from Lisbon to Bristol by another plane. He was accompanied by President Conant of Harvard and by Benjamin Cohen, who is Winant's personal assistant.

London newspapers said they considered the King's gesture in breaking all precedent to go to a railway station to greet an ambassador was caused by the Roosevelt action in taking the shores of the Chesapeake to meet Lord Halifax.

King George kept up the parallel by going to meet the ambassador on his own automobile to take with Queen Elizabeth. The place of the king was carefully guarded by the censors.

Winant was nervous at all this attention. He said, simply, "I'm glad to be here. There's no place I'd rather be than in England."

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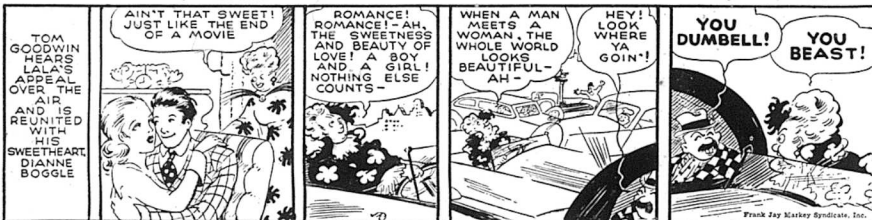
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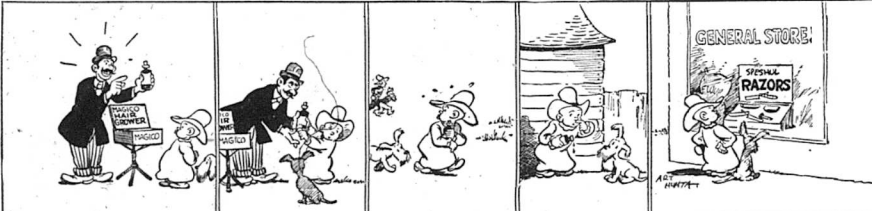
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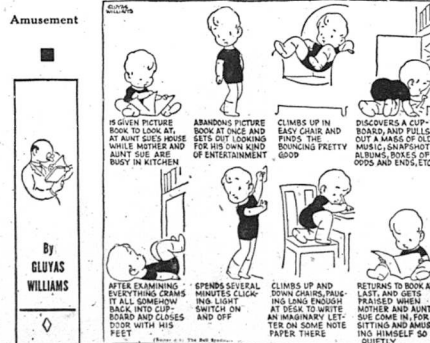
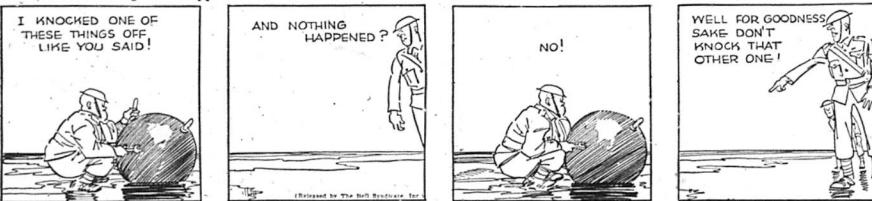
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If in breaking eggs into a mixing bowl a bad one should accidentally be dropped in, a whole cake may be spoiled. It is, therefore, wise to always break one egg at a time into a cup before putting it into the mixing bowl.

To remove chewing gum from rugs, rub with any dry-cleaning fluid. Rub different ways on the rug and soon the gum will loosen so that it can be picked up. The cleaning fluid then removes the gum stains.

If dirt becomes ground into waxed floors moisten a cloth with turpentine and rub well into floor until wax is removed, then wax and polish.

When buying mats and dollies for the dining table remember that those of rectangular shape provide a wider space for silver and glasses than oval or round ones. Arrange the dollies about a fourth of an inch from the edge of the table.

Ask Me Another

A General Quiz

The Questions

1. Who was the father of King Solomon?
2. In what year was the "Star Spangled Banner" designated by congress as the national anthem?
3. Jefferson Davis' first wife was the daughter of what President of the United States?
4. How long is a song protected by the copyright law?
5. Which of the following is a detergent—soap, handkerchiefs or sulphuric acid?
6. Do any banks in the United States have resources of over a billion dollars?
7. Is there any temple in the world dedicated to the founder of another religion?
8. In what profession is a metronome used?

The Answers

1. David was the father of King Solomon.
2. In 1931.
3. Zachary Taylor.
4. Fifty-six years. The term of copyright is 28 years, with right of renewal for 28 years.
5. Soap.
6. Yes, eight have.
7. The Mohammedan mosque in Damascus is named in honor of Jesus Christ.
8. Music (a device for marking time).



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